

WATCHFUL WAITING  
POLICY FOR FLEET

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## ROUTINE DUTIES FOR TROOPS

Residents of Vera Cruz Seem Perfectly Satisfied With American Control. Day of Ceremonials for Funston.

BY ROSECOE MITCHELL.

Vera Cruz, May 1.—Pending the mediation negotiations, the Atlantic Fleet is again pursuing a watchful waiting policy. Unless there is a hostile move against Americans at Tampico or Puerto Mexico, or some port on the west coast, there seems little prospect of any aggressive move by the fleet. The battleships are ready, of course, for action in an emergency on short notice.

General Funston and his troops also are performing only routine duties, and perfect order prevails. The residents of Vera Cruz seem perfectly satisfied with American control.

G. G. Smith, a refugee, has notified army headquarters that Navro, the notorious dynamiter, has slipped into Vera Cruz from Mexico City. Navro is keeping in hiding if here, and a search is being made for him. Navro is feared by residents, who know his desperate character.

Members of the Vera Cruz police force, some of whom fled with General Maas, have deserted their former military commander and returned to the city. They are accepting the situation gracefully and are seeking positions under the American government.

The French consul, who visited General Maas yesterday to arrange for a special train to Mexico City, flying the French flag, had not returned to the consulate this afternoon.

There are many alarming rumors from Tampico, but no authentic advice have been received to-day.

There was some talk on the ships of a celebration of the anniversary of Dewey's victory at Manila, but it was decided to abandon the idea.

This was a day of many ceremonials for General Funston. First, he formally returned the call of Sir Christopher Cradock, the British admiral, upon his flagship, the Essex. They did not discuss the situation at Tampico, General Funston said afterwards.

Then the captain of the French ship Conde called to pay his respects to the American general. Other foreign naval commanders called formally in the afternoon.

Major Evans, of General Funston's staff, announced that about 400 bandits are operating in the outskirts of the city, robbing farmers, who bring food supplies into Vera Cruz.

General Funston has been advised that there are few Mexican troops between here and Mexico City. There is a battalion each of the Seventeenth, Eighteenth and Nineteenth Regiments, and some militia, but they are irregular troops at best.

Much information is being brought in by American miners and ranchmen, who are among the refugees.

The pretty daughter of General Maas has recovered many family effects. Soldiers who accompanied her on her exploration of the family property, told of finding wine bottles with the contents partly consumed, revealing eloquently the haste of General Maas's flight.

Charge O'Shaughnessy called to-night on the Yankee for New Orleans. He will proceed immediately to Washington.

ENVOYS CONTINUE  
STEADILY AT WORK

(Continued From First Page.)

As first reported, it promised to raise another grave issue over the execution of an official after the military armistice was in effect. For this reason, Secretary Bryan made the most urgent representations to the Spanish ambassador, who repeated them with the same urgency to Mexico City. The mediators also for a time felt this might cause a split in the plenipotentiaries. The situation was greatly relieved late in the day on receipt of dispatches from General Huerta's Foreign Affairs Secretary, who had been given to release Dr. Ryan if imprisoned, and give him safe conduct to Mexico City or Vera Cruz.

Will Protect Oil Properties. Chihuahua, May 1.—General Carranza is determined to protect the oil properties of various Federal States, principally British and American, and to protect them from the British and American.

A law force is now being organized to capture Tampico, and the danger to wells and to the great tanks was called to General Carranza's attention by Sir Cecil Spring-Rice through H. C. Myers, British consul at El Paso.

General Carranza said foreigners who left Tampico did so of their own accord, and were welcome to return under his assurance of protection within his power.

The Federalists at Tampico, who along with the oil tanks are being held, occupy a large oil field lying in the outskirts of the city.

Saltillo Evacuated. El Paso, Tex., May 1.—Saltillo, principal city of the State of Coahuila, where the remnants of various Federalist forces, after their defeat at Torreon, Monterey and other lesser towns, are being evacuated, has been evacuated. It is reported to-day that the evacuation of Saltillo is complete, and that the evacuation of the State of Coahuila is complete.

Richmond Among Refugees. San Diego, Cal., May 1.—Among refugees arriving to-day on the Marie from Manzanillo was S. B. Mosby, Richmond.

The name of S. B. Mosby does not appear in the Richmond City Directory.

Miners Go to Work. Charleston, W. Va., May 1.—Ten thousand miners in the Kanawha coal fields quit work to-day in spite of the fact that the strike was called off by the United Mine Workers of America.

NOTHING BUT GRAPE JUICE. "No Booze" Edict Is Promulgated by Virginia Retail Jewellers. Petersburg, Va., May 1.—The annual convention and banquet of the Virginia Retail Jewellers Association, which met here May 14, according to a decision of the entertainment committee, will be held at the Hotel Richmond. The association, a State-wide commercial organization, a letter relating the fact has been sent to Secretary of State Bryan.

CHILD FIRST IN HEAVEN. Minister Makes Earnest Plea for Young in Church. Portsmouth, Va., May 1.—The closing session of the Southern Christian Leadership conference was devoted to the young people's work and the Christian orphanage.

Rev. A. W. Lighthourne, of Dover, Del., declared that the "child is first in heaven," so placed by Christ Jesus.

"I am happy," he said, "when children wear out my church carpet and tear up song books. Stop saying 'don't' to children. God tried that once on Sinai, but it would not work and He abandoned it. Give them something positive to do."

The convention adopted a resolution urging its members to work for State-wide prohibition.

Bill to Repeal Act. Washington, May 1.—Senator Keaton today introduced a bill to repeal the act in cooperation with the General Education Board, to which John D. Rockefeller contributed \$2,000,000 for carrying on farm demonstration and other educational work.

## DIPLOMATS SEEKING TO SETTLE MEXICAN DIFFICULTY

FEDERALS ORDERED NOT  
TO BEGIN ANY MOVEMENT

Mexican Government May Send Mission to Washington to Give Information to Mediators.

BY LUGI BARZINI.

Mexico City, April 30 (delayed in transmission).—The work of the mediators, which began with pour parlers at Washington, has had one practical result, namely, an understanding by the American and Mexican governments to suspend hostilities during the negotiations. As a consequence of this column under General Maas, which is concentrated at Saltillo, has received orders not to begin any movement.

It is hoped that the revolutionaries, who are on their own initiative and partly as a result of American influence to which they are amenable, will also suspend their arms.

The Council of Ministers to-day discussed the question of sending to Washington a diplomatic mission, whose duty it will be to furnish the mediators information which will enable them to base their decision on a full knowledge of the facts. It is probable that the head of the mission will be General Esteva Ruiz, under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, who conducted the negotiations regarding the Tampico incident, the minister himself being absent at that time.

So far it is not known whether mediation will turn solely upon the Tampico incident, and its consequences, or whether it will embrace the whole complex situation which exists between the United States and Mexico, and of which the Tampico incident is only the last episode.

It seems that a definite and satisfactory solution cannot be reached if the field of mediation is restricted too closely as it would leave the more serious situation untouched and perpetuate the crisis.

In any case optimism continues.

## CHARTERS ISSUED

The following charters were issued by the State Corporation Commission yesterday:

Amendment to charter Mutual Economy Corporation, Norfolk, creating its stock \$25,000 to \$50,000. Capital stock: \$2,000 to \$25,000. T. D. Robinson, president; J. Robinson, secretary, both of Hampton.

Brinkley & Mills Company, Incorporated, Richmond. Capital stock: \$500 to \$15,000. W. H. Mills, president; E. P. Brinkley, secretary, both of Richmond.

Amendment to charter Union Home Land Company, Incorporated, Roanoke, increasing its stock \$50,000 to \$100,000. Young Men's Christian Association, of Oak Park, Brook Hill. No capital. President, J. H. Griffin, secretary, both of Brook Hill.

Hagenbeck & Wallace Shows Company, Incorporated, York. Capital stock: \$300 to \$1,000,000. John O. Talbot, president, Denver, Col.; John H. Warren, secretary, Chicago, Ill.

Atlantic Coast Line Earnings. Earnings of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company for the month of March show a decrease of \$13,075, as compared with the earnings for March, 1913, and a decrease of \$766,769.33 for the period between January and March 31 of the current year, as compared with the same period of the year before.

For the month of March the operating revenues were \$3,742,660.68; the operating expenses and taxes for the same month were \$3,555,555.55, leaving the operating income for the month \$187,105.13.

Leave for Gunston. Vera Cruz, May 1.—Nelson O'Shaughnessy, the American charge d'affaires at Mexico City, and his family, and Charles P. Parker and Mrs. Parker left here to-night on board the United States steamer, Yankeetown, for Gunston.

Mr. Parker was a clerk in the embassy at Mexico City.

## ACTION NOT UNEXPECTED

Carranza Will Not Agree to Neutral Zone Around Oil Fields.

Washington, May 1.—General Carranza telegraphed Secretary Bryan from Chihuahua to-night that the Constitutionalists would not enter into any formal agreement for the establishment of a neutral zone around the oil wells at Tampico. He said, however, that as far as his forces were concerned the oil companies could resume operations without fear of molestation.

This action of the Constitutionalists chief was not unexpected, as officials here understood the creation of a neutral zone would have meant the operations of the rebels attacking Tampico. Nevertheless, it was evident that failure to relieve all further anxiety for the valuable oil properties was a distinct disappointment. Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British ambassador, has urged strongly the neutral zone proposal.

Administration officials held that the Carranza message could not be considered as having any bearing on the proposal of the South American mediators for an armistice between the contending Mexican factions, as it is known, no reply has come to this proposal from either side.

Tampico Reported Fallen. (Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.) London, May 1.—Oliver Maddox Huft cables to the Daily Express from Vera Cruz: "I have received reliable advice that Tampico was taken by the Constitutionalists early this morning. Huerta's forces are receiving a massive defeat."

It is reported from Mexico City that Zapata, having thrown in his lot with the Federalists, is now in Mexico City with a well-trained force of 3,000 men.

DR. RYAN IS RELEASED  
ON ORDERS BY HUERTA

On His Way to Mexico City, and Will Be Insured Passage to Vera Cruz.

REPORTED HE WAS TO BE SHOT

Assurances of Safety of American Citizen Given After Urgent Representations by Consul Canada.

(Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.) Vera Cruz, May 1.—Authoritative information has been received from the Federal government in Mexico City that Dr. Edward W. Ryan, who had been arrested as a spy at Zacatecas, and who, it was reported, had been condemned to death, has been released.

Dr. Ryan, it is officially announced, is on his way to Mexico City.

It is said that he will be escorted by a direct train to General Huerta last night.

"Urgent. April 30, 8 P. M. "Your Excellency.

"I am just in receipt of a most urgent message from my government to the effect that Edward W. Ryan, an American citizen, known personally to you and who has performed several services for the government of the United States during the past year, has been placed under arrest by your troops at Zacatecas, charged with being a spy.

It is said that he will be executed summarily at sunrise to-morrow (Friday) morning. In order that a well-known American, who has performed so many charitable services in the interest of the citizens of the State, should not be mistreated or summarily executed, I earnestly beg that Your Excellency will at once issue the necessary orders to the effect that Dr. Ryan may be released without delay, and that he be given a safe conduct to Vera Cruz or some other place of safety.

Dr. Ryan is personally known to the Secretary of State, who states that he feels positive that an investigation will prove Dr. Ryan innocent of any improper conduct.

"I again beg your excellency to immediately telegraph instructions to the authorities at Zacatecas for Ryan's immediate release and safe conduct out of Mexico."

"Assuring your excellency of my personal high consideration and esteem, I remain, sir, your obedient servant."

Huerta Assures Safety. Huerta replied to this telegram as follows:

"I answer your message of to-day. I know it is not true that Dr. E. W. Ryan is going to be executed to-day, nevertheless, I am telegraphing the authorities at Zacatecas asking for information regarding the matter and ordering them to permit him to come on to this city, where he will be given the necessary means for continuing his journey to Vera Cruz."

V. HUERTA.

KERR'S TERM OF OFFICE  
SUDDENLY TERMINATES

Begins Duties as Civil Governor of Vera Cruz One Day and Is Removed Next.

ACTION TAKEN BY FUNSTON

Garrison Denies Fact That Chicago Lawyer Is Anti-Wilson Man Has Anything to Do With Matter.

(Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.) Washington, May 1.—Robert J. Kerr's term of office as civil governor of Vera Cruz, was as short as his appointment was unexpected. He began his duties yesterday and stopped to-day, Brigadier-General Funston relieving him.

Behind this lies a story. "Ex-Governor" Kerr is known as an anti-Wilson man, and during his recent stay in Mexico City he was loud in his denunciation of the manner in which the Mexican question was handling the administration. It is said the Admiral Fletcher appointed him because he seemed to know more about conditions in Mexico than any other citizen with whom he came in contact.

But his nomination was displeasing to the administration, and he did not last long.

Secretary of War Garrison to-night denied the fact that Kerr was known as an anti-Wilson man, and anything to do with the discontinuing of civil power at Vera Cruz. The secretary said that while he was in the army he would have men who were directly responsible to him in places of importance. He pointed to the fact that the Philippines had prospered for three years under military authority, and that some of the prosperity there was due in a measure to General Funston.

The secretary, however, did not try to explain the fact that it was somewhat unusual to have the navy appoint a man one day and the army discharge him the next.

That General Funston was aware of the plan to establish civil government at Vera Cruz, and that the civil organization was disrupted under orders from Washington is indicated by the following official bulletin:

Bulletin No. 45.—Admiral Fletcher wires as follows:

"I had a conference with General Funston this morning upon his arrival. At 6 o'clock to-day I established civil government, under martial law, for Vera Cruz. The following officers were appointed:

"Civil Governor, Robert J. Kerr, lawyer in Chicago, and Mexico City Inspector of Port and Customs Commander Stiekeny, U. S. A. N.; Administrator, Justice, William Buckner, lawyer, of Austin, Tex., and Mexico City; Treasurer, Charles H. Stewart, of Indianapolis and Cordoba, Mex. The functions of the government become operative immediately, and the organization is that which was reported in my cable of April 26, giving the proposed regulations for establishment of civil government under martial law."

Cardul will surely help you. Try it. (Advertisement.)

## SAYS HE WAS HELD UP

Three Men Are Accused of Holding Up and Robbing Douglas Eaton.

James Delahanty, Frank Wash and A. C. Beech were arrested yesterday by Detectives G. P. Smith and Bryant on the charge of holding up and robbing Douglas Eaton.

Shortly after 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon Patrol Driver Metcalf, of the First District, was passing Marshall and Fifteenth streets, when he was stopped by Eaton, who said he had been attacked and robbed of \$175 by three men, who had gone away. Metcalf told him to get in the patrol; that he could make a report of the hold-up at the station. They had not gone far when they saw Smith and Bryant. They stopped and Eaton again related his story. He accompanied the detectives to the scene of the robbery and the officers started in search of the alleged highwaymen. In a saloon not far away the three men were found and identified by Eaton as his assailants. They were locked up at the First Police Station.

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